Comment

City

The state should perform a drug test, even if only testing for marijuana, on a select group of people that apply for government assistance of any kind...Workers Comp, BadgerCare, Unemployment, etc. Even if it was only testing done on reasonable suspicion or tipster information, I would think that hundreds of thousands, if not more, could be saved. The savings in benefits would far exceed the cost of drug testing. If the person does not report for said testing without a valid reason, benefits are cut off. If the person tests positive, they are cut off.

Eau Claire

I have several issues that have been bothering me for several years. Why is this state providing breakfast and lunch to school kids in the summer? I also heard that even adults coming with them will be served. Where is the parental duty to feed their children? I have worked in health care for 40 years. The Medicaid numbers are out of sight. This perception that entitlements are our right has to stop. I have watched multiple generations continue to live on Medicaid/Welfare. Children learn what they live. Why is it that the state allows limitless pregnancies while recipients are on Welfare? After one baby is born of parent(s) on Welfare, the state should not support anymore children. It might take several years for them to understand they will not get more money for more kids, but sickness should be paid for before more children. August 1, 2010 the state decided to limit the amount of contraceptive devices for women to one in three years. That was a stupid decision. Some have children every couple of years. It would make sense to use contraception as needed. Food stamp or Share I think it is now called, needs to be reformed and abuse and fraud stopped. We did not have the Core Plan until recently under Doyle. Eliminate it. Medicaid should be for the children and elderly. Mandate work or continuing education in order to receive welfare. Put the welfare roles to work. If the job does not pay a living wage, then the state could supplement to a living wage. Let them work for welfare in cleaning up our beaches, highways, parks, inner cities, and other projects that need to be done. Or, put them in tech schools, colleges the trades. Bad grades, no money. We have to break the attitude that the world owes me a living. I have a daughter who is a good teacher and can't stand you. We have had many arguments. I wish we could show her that she does not need a union. Administration in schools should be able to fairly evaluate teaches or they should be fired. My husband and I really support you. Remember to communicate up front before you act. That was the problem with the teachers. What you said in the campaign should have been rediscussed with the teachers, openly in the press after you were elected. I think it would have cushioned the impact a little. Now if we just could get the legislation implemented. It makes me feel good that teachers are voluntarily paving more for insurance/pension. That would not have happened without your legislation. Keep up the good work Gov. Walker. Our prayers are with you.

LaValle

My agency is the largest private provider of Fraud Prevention Investigations in the Nation. We are currently providing this service to 45 County and Tribal agencies in Wisconsin in cluding Milwaukee Co. W-2 programs. We are providing both applicant verification and ongoing criminal investigations (100% conviction rate) as well as overpayment calcutlations and the Federal Sanctioning process. Our savings vs cost ratio is \$16.50 saved or recovered for every \$1 of cost. We could implement this service in Milwaukee Co for all programs immeditalty with 8 field investigators that are in the area. We could show an immediate savings in the first 30 days. If you have any question please do not hesitate to contact me.

Holmen

I am a state employee. I have custody of my daughter. My ex lost the kids through a chips petition. I found out that my daughter is getting medical assistance. When I called to have it cancelled (I have full coverage), I was told no by member services. How much tax dollars are we going to waste on children that are already covered. These agencies should also be required to contact custodial parents before wasting tax dollars.

janesville

I believe I am aware of many individuals who collect unemployement every year for 4-5 months who may not be entitle to these collection. I will admit I am totally not fully aware of the rules of unemployment but if not I'd like to see these individuals restricted from collecting umemployment every year for the past 20 years. I believe the systems is being abused but at the same time I believe the State Gov. doesn't have the manpower to police these abuses. Therefore it is our duty to report them to the State. I am available to discuss over the phone or at a meeting with my assembly representive.

Bruce

I would like to see someone check into the possibly of abuse, with some chiropractic businesses and the lower income patients (badger care patients). I think where is a lot of fraud in this area. Thank you.

River Falls

On iterstate hyway 94 they are drilling test holes by old bridges that they plan on replacing. What A waste of money. I doubt that rock formation have moved or changed The old test data should be on file With the state or fed gov why are they not using this data?

Wilson

If you would like to stop wasteful spending, please take a look at the road construction that is going on between the towns of Viroqua and Westby. Presently highway 14 is in very good condition between these two towns. The distance between the towns is 7 miles. Westby's population is 2,045 and Viroqua's is 4,335. Why is this state wasting millions of dollars building a four lane highway between these two towns. You come out of Westby on a two lane highway onto the new future four lane highway, then when you get to Viroqua it goes into a two lane road again. What is this road going to accomplish. I am sure that this is some pet project of some politician but it should be stopped. Yes it is creating jobs, but at what cost. Pay for what little work has been done and put a stop to it.

La Crosse

The "Round Abouts" being built throughout the state are a huge waste of tax dollars. They cost over \$100,000 per unit and are not effective. Most are built too skimpy to accommodate semi trucks. Others are built with more lanes than can accommodate the traffic safely. An example of a really bad one is at S.Moorland road in New Berlin. A squad has to be assigned daily for rush hour traffic at the round about, and the traffic on l43 trying to exit at Moorland suddenly comes to a sudden stop because of the backup. Lastly, with the cost of gas continuing to rise, slowing down to a crawl in order to negotiate the turns is definitely not fuel

Greenfield

efficient. Also, what about having the state controlled traffic lights timed to work efficiently with the local traffic lights?

Brownfields Grants (such as the SAG Grants) should be awarded solely on the basis of merit, not on discretionary "bonus points" that have nothing to do with merit (see NR 168.13(3), Wis. Adm. Code). All pending SAG Grant awards should be frozen, and audited and any pending awards that are based on bonus points should be culled and rescored. Only sites that rank highly based on merit should receive an award. DNR has a batch of Round 12 SAG grants which it is ready to award at a moment's notice. The Round 12 SAG awards process should be placed on hold pending removal of all preference based on bonus points. It is a waste of tax money to allow applicants to arbitrarily assign themselves an extra 29 bonus points to raise their score above another site with actual merit.

Shorewood